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Serial No.: 09/763,005)
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Filed: 04/20/2001)
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For: "Transgenic Poplar Trees)
Having Improved Nitrogen)
Metabolism by an)
Integrated Transgene)
Constitutively Expressing)
a Pine Glutamine)
Synthetase and Methods)
of Making and Using the)
Same")

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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION UNDER37 C.F.R. §1.111

In response to the Official Action mailed April 11, 2003,
please amend the above-identified patent application as
follows: